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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to
3 learn of the death of Ray Schmitt; and

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WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt devoted more than 20 years of service
5 to the City of Streator as both a City Council member and
6 mayor; in 1999, he was elected to serve as the Mayor of the
7 City of Streator; he was voted to serve for a third term in
8 April of 2007; and

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WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt was employed at the Owens-Brockway
10 Glass factory for approximately 40 years; and

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WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt was active in numerous charitable
12 events; he brought Relay For Life to the city after losing his
13 sister to breast cancer; he also volunteered for Light Up
14 Streator and served as a guest speaker at several community
15 service organizations; and

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WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt enjoyed spending time with his
17 grandchildren; and

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WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt is survived by his wife, Donna, and
19 their 3 children; and

1 WHEREAS, Ray Schmitt will be remembered by all who knew and
2 loved him as a plain-spoken and compassionate man whose love
3 for his family and city were unmatched; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
6 his family and friends, the passing of Ray Schmitt; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Ray Schmitt as an expression of our
10 sympathy.